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To the Chairman and Members of the Stone Urban District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I beg to present my Annual Report for 1969 which has been prepared in accordance with Circular 1/69 of the Ministry of Health.

A full representation of the health of the district is given in the following pages and below are some features of the Report.

Population: The population for the Urban District in mid 1969 was 10,810 which is an increase of 220 over 1968.

Births: The number of live births for the year has decreased to 191 - 7 less than in 1968. This gives a live birth rate for the area of 17.7, England and Wales 16.3.

Deaths: The number of deaths from all causes amounted to 123 - a decrease of 12 from 1968. This gives a death rate for the area of 11.4, England and Wales 11.9. During 1969 no child in this district died under the age of one year.

It will be seen that by far the commonest cause of death is ischaemic heart disease (previously recorded as "coronary disease and angina"), with a total of 37. Cerebrovascular disease (i.e. "strokes") and malignant diseases are next, with 21 and 13 deaths respectively.

Motor Accidents: There was 1 fatality during the year.

National Assistance Act: No action was taken under the Act during the year.

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Infectious Diseases: The number of infectious diseases notified during the year amounted to 85 (81 cases of measles and 4 cases of food poisoning).

I would like to express my appreciation of the assistance given by the staff of the Department and Members of the Committee for their interest in public health matters during the year.

I am,

Your obedient Servant,

M. L. BURR.

Medical Officer of Health.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE AS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1969

Councillor A. A. Ferrie - Chairman

Councillor Mrs. M. D. Alderson
Councillor D. M. Barker
Councillor J. W. Breeze
Councillor M. D. Hodson
Councillor C. J. S. Johnson
Councillor Mrs. G. H. Mercer
Councillor M. J. Moulson
Councillor P. G. Smith

PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICIALS FOR THE AUTHORITY

Medical Officer of Health

M. L. Burr, M.B., B.S., D.P.H., D.Obst.R.C.O.G.

Deputy Medical Officer of Health

C. Arthur, M.B., B.Ch.

Senior Public Health Inspector
(also Engineer and Surveyor)

A. Ainley

F.F.S., F.R.S.H., Dip. R.I.PH.H., C.S.I.B.,
Certified Meat and Food Inspector

Additional Public Health Inspector

M. J. Mawby, M.A.P.H.I., M.R.S.H.,
Dip. of Public Health Inspectors Education Board

Clerks

Miss J. E. Challinor

Miss S. M. Hargreaves

A. GENERAL STATISTICS OF THE AREA.

Area (in acres)	1,951
Population (General Registrar)	10,810
Number of inhabited houses and flats	3,648
Population density per house	2.9
Rateable value	£403,973
Sum represented by a penny rate	£1,560

INDUSTRIES

Boots and Shoes	Electrical Insulators	Interchangeable laboratory glassware, Scientific instrumentation and moulded plastics
Brewing	Industrial Ceramics	
Light Industries		

B. PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES IN THE AREA

Domiciliary Nursing and General Practitionery Services.

District Nurses, Midwifery and Health visitor services are provided by the County Council under the administration of the Stafford Area Health Committee. Family doctor services are supplied in the Stone Urban District by seven general practitioners.

Hospital Services.

Out-patients and general hospital services are available at Stafford General Infirmary and the North Staffordshire Hospital Centre.
Aged and chronic sick cases are accommodated at Trent Hospital, Stone, for treatment and Part III accommodation under the County Council if required; aged and other persons are accommodated at "Roseneath", under the auspices of the Stafford County Welfare Department.

Yarnfield Hospital, which was formerly the infectious diseases hospital for the district, admits convalescent cases from the Stafford hospital and other hospitals in the region.

When required, cases of infectious diseases are admitted to Bucknall Hospital, Stoke-on-Trent, and Moxley Hospital, Birmingham.

School Clinics and Welfare Services.

These are held at the St. Michael's Hall, Stone, and the Community Centre, Walton, and administered by the Staffordshire County Council.

Clinics are held at the following times:

Infant Welfare Centre, St. Michael's Hall : Weekly Thursday afternoons.
Walton Community Centre : Weekly Wednesday afternoons.
School Clinic, St. Michael's Hall : Fortnightly Thursday mornings.

Programmes of vaccination and immunisation of children and adults against poliomyelitis, whooping cough, tetanus and diphtheria and also smallpox are carried out by local general practitioners in their surgeries.

The Staffordshire County Council also maintain specialised clinics where defects of speech, vision and hearing and allied conditions can be treated when these are referred following school medical examinations, and by General Practitioners, Health Visitors and others.

Health Visiting.

Two full time Health Visitors are employed by the County Council for work in the district. The Health Visitors attend all sessions of school and consultant clinics, following up cases as necessary by visits to the home, and also co-operate with the Public Health Department on cases with housing difficulties.

Tuberculosis Services.

A tuberculosis clinic is held at Stafford General Infirmary, to which patients in the Urban District travel. A tuberculosis Health Visitor is employed by the County Council, operating part-time in the area, visiting in the home where appropriate.

Laboratory Service.

Specimens of milk, water and suspected unsound foods are sent to the Public Health Laboratory at Stafford for chemical and bacteriological examination.

Ambulance Service.

The ambulance service is provided from Stone Ambulance Station in conjunction with the Stafford Ambulance Station.

Meals on Wheels.

In accordance with the National Assistance Act, 1948 (Amended Act 1962), the Stone Urban District Council co-operates with the W.R.V.S. and Messrs. Quickfit and Quartz in operating a meals on wheels service for the aged and infirm. During the year approximately 8,840 meals were delivered by voluntary effort to persons where it was thought that these would be of value. The cost to the recipient is 6d. per meal, the remainder being shared by the Local Authority and the County Council. We are very fortunate in Stone in having meals supplied to us by Messrs. Quickfit and Quartz at an extremely low cost. Our thanks are also due to the W.R.V.S. in being prepared to distribute them for five days a week, which is also very unusual.

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GENERAL HEALTH IN THE AREA INCLUDING VITAL STATISTICS

These statistics give in the form of tables details of deaths and births and other various rates which are compared with those for England and Wales.

It should be noted that the local rates are based on a relatively small population and therefore subject to wider fluctuations than where larger populations are involved.

It will be seen that measles was prevalent during the first quarter and mumps during the latter part of the year.

Table No. 1.	Live Births		Still Births		Deaths of infants under 1 yr.		Deaths of infants under 4 weeks		Deaths of infants under 1 week	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
Legitimate	88	96	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Illegitimate	1	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	89	102	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Table No. 2.

Birth and Death Rate.

Comparability Factors : Births 1.02 Deaths 0.80

	Stone Urban District		England and Wales	
	1969	1968	1969	1968
Live births per 1,000 population	17.7(191)	18.7(198)	16.3	16.9
Live births per 1,000 population adjusted	18.1	19.1	-	-
Still births per 1,000 live and still births	5 (1)	19.7(4)	13	14
Death rate per 1,000 population	11.4(123)	12.7(135)	11.9	11.9
Death rate per 1,000 population adjusted	9.1	10.45	-	-
Death rate of infants under 1 year of age per 1,000 live births	-	10.1(2)	18	18
Death rate of infants under 4 weeks of age per 1,000 live births	-	10.1(2)	12	12.3
Death rate of infants under 1 week of age per 1,000 live births	-	10.1(2)	10	10.5
Perinatal mortality (deaths of infants under 1 week of age + stillbirths per 1,000 total births)	5 (1)	29.7(6)	23	25

NOTE: Actual numbers shown in brackets.

Table No. 3.

ANALYSIS OF CAUSES OF DEATHS

		Male	Female	Total 1969	Total 1968
B1.	Cholera	-	-	-	-
B2.	Typhoid fever	-	-	-	-
B3.	Bacillary dysentery and amoebiasis	-	-	-	-
B4.	Enteritis and other diarrhoeal diseases	-	-	-	-
B5.	Tuberculosis of respiratory system	1	-	1	-
B6.	Other tuberculosis, incl. late effects	-	-	-	-
B7.	Plague	-	-	-	-
B8.	Diphtheria	-	-	-	-
B9.	Whooping cough	-	-	-	-
B10.	Streptococcal sore throat & scarlet fever	-	-	-	-
B11.	Meningococcal infection	-	-	-	-
B12.	Acute poliomyelitis	-	-	-	-
B13.	Smallpox	-	-	-	-
B14.	Measles	-	-	-	-
B15.	Typhus and other rickettsioses	-	-	-	-
B16.	Malaria	-	-	-	-
B17.	Syphilis and its sequelae	-	-	-	-
B18.	All other infective & parasitic diseases	-	-	-	-
B19(1)	Malignant neoplasm, buccal cavity etc.	2	-	2	-
B19(2)	Malignant neoplasm, oesophagus	-	1	1	-
B19(3)	Malignant neoplasm, stomach	-	-	-	1
B19(4)	Malignant neoplasm, intestine	-	2	2	-
B19(5)	Malignant neoplasm, uterus	-	-	-	-
B19(6)	Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus	2	-	2	9
B19(7)	Malignant neoplasm, breast	-	3	3	4
B19(8)	Leukaemia	-	-	-	2
B19(9)	Malignant neoplasm, prostate	1	-	1	-
B19(10)	Malignant neoplasm, larynx	-	-	-	-
B19(11)	Other malignant neoplasms	1	1	2	11
B20.	Benign and unspecified neoplasms	-	-	-	1
B21.	Diabestes mellitus	1	-	1	2
B22.	Avitaminoses and other nutritional deficiency	-	-	-	-
B46(1)	Other endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases	-	-	-	-
B23.	Anaemias	-	1	1	-
B46(2)	Other diseases of blood and blood-forming organs	-	-	-	-
B46(3)	Mental disorders	-	-	-	-
B24.	Meningitis	-	-	-	-
B46(4)	Other diseases of nervous system etc.	-	-	-	3
B25.	Active rheumatic fever	-	-	-	-
B26.	Chronic rheumatic heart disease	1	2	3	2
B27.	Hypertensive disease	-	2	2	3
B28.	Ischaemic heart disease	15	22	37	30
B29.	Other forms of heart disease	6	5	11	7
B30.	Cerebrovascular disease	8	13	21	24
B46(5)	Other diseases of circulatory system	2	5	7	10
B31.	Influenza	-	-	-	1
B32.	Pheumonia	1	2	3	4

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ANALYSIS OF CAUSES OF DEATHS (continued).

		Male	Female	Total 1969	Total 1968
B33(1)	Bronchitis, emphysema	8	3	11	5
B33(2)	Asthma	-	-	-	-
B46(6)	Other diseases of the respiratory system	1	2	3	1
B34.	Peptic ulcer	-	-	-	2
B35.	Appendicitis	-	-	-	-
B36.	Intestinal obstruction and hernia	-	-	-	1
B37.	Cirrhosis of liver	1	-	1	1
B46(7)	Other diseases of the digestive system	1	2	3	-
B38.	Nephritis and nephrosis	-	-	-	-
B39.	Hyperplasia of prostate	-	-	-	-
B46(8)	Other diseases of the genito-urinary system	-	-	-	2
B40.	Abortion	-	-	-	-
B41.	Other complications of pregnancy, childbirth and puerperium	-	-	-	-
B46(9)	Diseases of the skin & subcutaneous tissue	-	-	-	-
B46(10)	Diseases of the musculo-skeletal system and connective tissue	-	-	-	1
B42.	Congenital anomalies	2	-	2	1
B43.	Birth injury, difficult labour and other anoxic and hypoxic conditions	-	-	-	1
B44.	Other causes of perinatal mortality	-	-	-	1
B45.	Symptoms and ill-defined conditions	-	-	-	-
BE47.	Motor vehicle accidents	1	-	1	2
BE48.	All other accidents	1	1	2	2
BE49.	Suicide and self-inflicted injuries	-	-	-	1
BE50.	All other external causes	-	-	-	-
		56	67	123	135

Table No. 4.

TUBERCULOSIS

	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	Male	Female	Male	Female
On Register at 31.12.68.	11	4	-	1
New cases notified or transferred in during 1969	-	1	1	-
Deaths during 1969	-	-	-	-
Removed from Register on transfer out or recovery during 1969	2	1	-	-
Total remaining on Register at 31.12.69.	9	4	1	1

Table No. 5.

Number of cases on the Tuberculosis Register for the District at the end of the last four years

	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		
Year	Male	Female	Male	Female	Total
1965	11	3	-	-	14
1966	11	4	-	1	16
1967	11	4	-	1	16
1968	11	4	-	1	16
1969	9	4	1	1	15

Table No. 6.

INFECTIOUS AND NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

The following table shows the number of infectious and notifiable diseases sent in by Medical Practitioners during the year 1969.

Disease	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	Total 1969	Total 1968
Scarlatina	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-
Whooping Cough	-	-	-	-	-	-
Measles	74	6	-	1	81	7
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pneumonia, Acute Primary	-	-	-	-	-	-
Erysipelas	-	-	-	-	-	-
Puerperal Pyrexia	-	-	-	-	-	-
Poliomyelitis	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dysentery	-	-	-	-	-	1
Meningococcal Infection	-	-	-	-	-	1
Ophthalimia Neonatorum	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning	-	1	3	-	4	-

Table No. 7.

The following table shows the number of actual and suspected cases of infectious diseases reported from schools in the district.

Disease	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	Total 1969	Total 1968
Measles	41	1	-	-	42	10
German measles	1	1	2	-	4	5
Mumps	1	1	10	28	40	-
Chicken pox	-	-	-	1	1	14
Shingles	-	-	1	-	1	-
Ringworm	-	-	-	1	1	-
Meningitis	-	-	-	-	-	1

REPORT OF THE

SENIOR PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

ON THE

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES

OF THE AREA

RECORD OF INSPECTIONS

The following table summarises the inspections made during the year for all purposes:

	No. of Inspections	Notices Informal	Notices Abated
Dwelling Houses - Repairs	92	24	20
Dwelling Houses - Demolition	1	-	-
Dwelling Houses - Slum Clearance	19	-	-
Improvement Grants	178	-	-
Housing Applications and Overcrowding	198	-	-
Tents, Vans, Sheds etc.	-	-	-
Dangerous Structures	10	3	4
Verminous and Dirty Premises	1	-	-
Drainage and Trade Effluent	253	-	-
Water Supply	7	-	-
Refuse Collection and Disposal	74	7	7
Keeping of Animals	11	-	-
Rodent Control	80	-	-
Insect Control	34	-	-
Infectious Diseases	57	-	-
Noise, Odour Control	7	-	-
Pet Animals Act	2	-	-
Factories	18	2	2
Workplaces	-	-	-
Outworkers	-	-	-
Petroleum Storage	102	5	5
Smoke Abatement and Control	186	-	-
Foodshops and Licensed Premises	96	3	3
Dairies, Bakehouses	17	1	1
Butchers Shops	28	1	1
Cafes, Restaurants, Canteens	13	-	-
Ice Cream Premises	15	-	-
Food Condemnation	11	-	-
Meat Inspection	289	-	-
Mobile Food Vehicles	11	3	4
Hairdressers	6	-	-
Offices, Shops & Railway Premises Act	104	5	5
Market Stalls	32	-	-
Interviews and appointments	246	-	-
Miscellaneous	270	-	-
	2,468	54	52

1. Sewerage and Sewage Disposal.

Details of soil and storm sewage 1963-1969.

Year	Soil sewage treated at Disposal Works Gallons	Storm water treated at Pumping Station Gallons	Total Gallons	Rainfall Inches
1963	179,405,000	10,414,320	189,819,320	23.70
1964	201,023,400	15,439,960	216,463,360	26.19
1965	256,317,100	36,248,105	292,565,205	35.04
1966	256,967,700	24,416,380	281,384,080	35.09
1967	213,464,100	14,644,360	228,108,460	31.27
1968	203,166,950	16,098,960	219,265,910	30.51
1969	191,208,650	12,915,010	204,123,660	29.41

During 1969 there were 172 rainless days.

During the year, samples of final effluent discharged from the Sewage Disposal Works to the River Trent have been taken by the Trent River Authority and the County Health Department. On a number of occasions, samples failed to meet the required standard of the Trent River Authority because of the continuing overload at the Works.

Charges for the reception of trade effluent continued to be levied by the Council at 8 premises and during the year a number of samples of trade effluent taken at the various premises indicated in general that the Consent Conditions were being complied with.

Extensions to the Westbridge Park Pumping Station and the Pirehill Sewage Disposal Works have continued through the year.

2. Drainage.

The detailed supervision of all drainage works has been continued in connection with repairs and improvements to existing systems and also of new work.

3. Pail Closets and Septic Tanks.

There are 3 houses with pail closets and 33 houses with septic tanks in the area. The pail closet emptying service was maintained.

4. Water Supply.

The mains water supply for the Urban District is provided by the Staffordshire Potteries Water Board from Longton Road Pumping Station and during the year a satisfactory bacteriological standard has been maintained. 61 samples taken by the Board were satisfactory in all respects, of which 43 were from the Pumping Station and 18 from the supply area.

11 samples were taken for chemical analysis.
7 visits were made to premises in connection with water supply.

New supplies during 1969 - 114 dwellings were connected to the mains. During the year there was a marked improvement in the recurrence of discolouration of the water supply in parts of the area due to work carried out by the Water Board.

5. Refuse Collection.

A regular weekly collection of domestic refuse has been maintained although the difficulty in recruiting and keeping staff for this work due to the attraction of better rates of pay and working conditions in other employment, continued during the year.

Tipping on Site No. 2 at Swynnerton has continued during the year. The increasing number of private dwellings built during the year have again continued to tax the efficiency of the service, especially during bad weather and breakdowns. A replacement compacting collecting vehicle of larger capacity was obtained in Aprilto meet the needs of property development and the increase in the bulk of refuse caused by modern package methods of most household commodities.

Salvage.

The collection and disposal of waste paper, containers and rags has been maintained. Scrap iron and other metals are obtained in small quantities and salvaged, but metal containers (cans) are not recovered.

There has been some reduction in the collection and baling of waste paper and cardboard during the year and this is thought to be due to the increasing use of plastic and other similar material for wrapping purposes and the fact that fewer of the manual employees appear to be interested in baling paper in their own time for which payment is made.

Salvage Disposal

1st January to 31st December, 1969

	T.	C.	Q.	£	s.	d.
Waste Paper	46.	9.	3.	381.	11.	0.
Rags	1.	6.	0.	20.	16.	0.
Scrap Iron	4.	9.	2.	26.	9.	6.
	52.	5.	1.	428.	16.	6.

HOUSING

Building was in operation on four private housing estates during the year, on which 114 dwellings were completed.

8 applications for Standard Improvement Grants and 7 applications for Discretionary Improvement Grants have been made during the year. All applications were approved.

Number of houses erected during the year :-

(1)	By Local Authority	Nil
(2)	By other Local Authorities	Nil
(3)	By private enterprise	80 houses, 34 bungalows
		80 houses, 34 bungalows

Number of houses owned by the Council on the 31st December, 1969, built under the provisions of the various Housing Acts :-

Erected during the years 1919 - 1940	-	276 (and remaining in the Council's possession)
Erected duringthe years 1947 - 1968	-	587
Erected during the year 1969	-	Nil
		863

7. Inspection and Repair of Dwelling Houses.

During the year, 24 informal notices were served for repairs in private houses. The majority of these notices were complied with and the work satisfactorily carried out.

Inspection.

1.	(a) Total number of dwelling houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health and Housing Acts)	92
	(b) Number of re-inspections made for the above purpose	130
2.	Properties demolished or closed in 1969	16
3.	Number of houses remaining in the 5 - 20 years programme :-	
	Category 2	52
	Category 3	52
		104

Remedy of Defects.

Number of houses repaired, rendered fit or improved in consequence of formal action	-
Number of dwelling houses repaired, rendered fit or improved in consequence of informal action	20
Category 2 owners supplied with schedules of repair	9
Number of dwelling houses rendered fit or improved in consequence of voluntary action by owner	15

8. Demolition of Dwelling Houses.

Number of houses demolished as a result of formal action	-
Number of houses demolished as a result of informal action	-
Number of houses demolished in default	-
Further statutory Demolition Orders served (property to be demolished in the following year)	16
Number of properties included in Compulsory Purchases Orders	-
Closing Orders made under Section 17 of the Housing Act 1957	6

9. Overcrowding and Rehousing.

30 housing units became vacant during the year and these were re-allocated mainly under the points system.

10. Moveable Dwellings.

There were no caravans etc. in use in the area during the year.

A local Company hires out canal cruising boats for holiday travel and in addition a small number of private pleasure craft make use of the Trent and Mersey Canal during the summer months.

11. Dirty and Verminous Premises.

One visit to a dirty house was necessary during the year. Instruction and advice was given to secure its cleansing.

12. Rodent Control.

1 treatment was carried out to the sewer system of the town. Regular treatment of the refuse tip and other surface installations has been carried out.

Details of treatments other than sewers are as shown in the following table.

	Local Authority	Dwelling Houses	Agri-cultural	All other purposes
Rats.				
Major infestations	1	Nil	Nil	Nil
Minor infestations	3	52	Nil	Nil
Mice.				
Major infestations	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Minor infestations	Nil	7	Nil	Nil

13. Pet Animals Act.

One shop licence was renewed for this purpose. No contraventions occurred.

14. Factories.

Number on Register 37

Number of inspections for all purposes 18

It was necessary to serve 2 informal notices during the year and the standard was generally satisfactory.

15. Smoke Abatement.

Continued co-operation by local firms has taken place during the year. Some nuisance occurred at the new boiler plant of Alleyne's School and this was investigated by the County Council and the National Coal Board.

The interest in domestic central heating continues, especially on new estates being built in the district. Work has been completed on the initial inspections of properties in connection with the making of a smoke control area bounded by the A.34 Trunk Road, Eccleshall Road and Pirehill Lane to the Urban boundary and this has been formally submitted to the Ministry of Housing and Local Government for approval.

16. Shops Act.

Visits to the shops in the area for late closing have been made.

Inspections of some shops in respect of health and comfort provisions were made. A separate Shops Act Report has been submitted to the Council.

17. Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963.

Returns now indicate there to be 128 premises in the District affected by the Act. Re-inspections under the Act have been maintained throughout the year, resulting in 5 informal notices being served and 5 notices being complied with.

During the year there has been a noticeable improvement in premises where owners and occupiers have provided facilities for the health and welfare of their staff.

During the year no reports of accidents were received and there were no proceedings for prosecution instituted.

18. Inspections and Supervision of Food Premises.

Meat Inspection.

Regular meat inspection has been maintained in the two licensed slaughter-houses. All animals are inspected as soon as possible after slaughter.

The meat produced from the slaughterhouses is retailed in five private butchers' shops situated within the Urban area. Some meat is also supplied to the adjoining Rural District area.

Meat Inspection (Continued).

The four remaining butchers' shops receive their meat supplies from outside the district.

Meat and offals found unfit	:	19 cwts. 2 qrs. 1 stone 4 lbs.
Number of animals slaughtered	:	545 cattle, 3 calves
		2122 sheep,774 pigs

Tuberculosis.

2 qrs. 1 stone 10 lbs. of offal was found to be infected with tuberculosis.

The decrease in the amount of meat and offals affected with tuberculosis has continued during the year. In the case of cattle the reduction since 1959 has been from 5.1% to nil and in the case of pigs from 2.47% to 1.03% which shows a decrease over last year.

All condemned meat and offals surrendered from the two slaughterhouses have been removed for disposal in accordance with the Meat (Sterilization) Regulations, 1969.

Details of carcases and offal inspected
and condemned in whole or in part are shown in the following table

PRIVATE SLAUGHTERHOUSES

	Cattle	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number killed	545	3	2122	774	-
Number inspected	545	3	2122	774	-
All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci :-					
Whole carcases condemned	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	234	-	210	74	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with diseases other than Tuberculosis and Cystercerci	42.94%	-	9.90%	9.56%	-
Tuberculosis Only :-					
Whole carcases condemned	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	8	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis	-	-	-	1.03%	-
Cysticercus Bovis :-					
Whole carcases condemned	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	2	-	-	-	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Cysticercus Bovis	0.37%	-	-	-	-

19. Ice Cream.

Number of premises registered for sale and/or manufacture of ice cream at 31st December, 1969 ... 30

Number of the above actually selling ice cream ... 27

1 premise was registered during the year. 4 samples of ice cream were submitted for bacteriological examination and all were found to be satisfactory.

20. Preserved Food etc.

Number of premises registered for the manufacture of sausages and preserved food 7

No new premises were registered during the year.

21. Milk.

During the year the County Authority have taken the following samples in this area :-

Samples for bacteriological examination 59

Samples for biological test for tuberculosis ... 1

Samples for biological test for Brucella Abortus ... 11

The sample tested for Tuberculosis proved negative and 51 of those submitted for bacteriological examination were satisfactory. 8 failed the Methelyne blue test. All the samples tested for Brucella Abortus were negative.

22. Inspection of Food Handling Premises.

Frequent routine visits have been made to all food premises, with particular regard to food hygiene. 8 notices were served to implement the requirements of the Food Hygiene Regulations. Most shops selling food of a perishable nature have installed frozen food cabinets (display) etc. and in general a good standard of food hygiene is observed.

23. Inspection of Food (excluding Meat at Slaughterhouses).

The following are the total amounts of food other than meat at slaughterhouses, voluntary surrender of which has been accepted:-

Imported Meat, Canned Meat and Meat Products ... 80 lbs.

Other Foods ... ... 496 lbs. 7 oz.